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ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DISPATCH OF A VISITING MISSION TO OBSERVE CURRENT CONDITIONS IN PALAU, TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

Draft resolution proposed by the President

The Trusteeship Council,

Recalling Security Council resolution 683 (1990) of 22 December 1990, in which the Council determined, in the light of the entry into force of the new status agreements for the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands and the Northern Mariana Islands, that the objectives of the Trusteeship Agreement 1/ had been fully attained, and that the applicability of the Trusteeship Agreement had terminated, with respect to those entities,

Having been invited by the Administering Authority to dispatch a mission to observe current conditions in Palau,

Considering that it would be desirable to include in such a mission representatives of countries of the region that are not members of the Trusteeship Council,

1. Decides to dispatch a visiting mission to Palau, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, in March 1992, for approximately two weeks to observe current conditions in the Territory;

1/ Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (United Nations publication, Sales No. 1957.VI.A.1).

2. Further decides that the composition of the Mission, including two representatives of countries of the region, should be determined through further consultations; 2/

3. Directs the Visiting Mission to obtain firsthand information concerning political, economic and social developments in Palau;

4. Directs the Visiting Mission to receive petitions, without prejudice to its action in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council, and to examine on the spot such of the petitions as, in its opinion, warrant special examination;

5. Requests the Visiting Mission to submit to the Trusteeship Council as soon as practicable a report on its visit containing its findings, with such observations, conclusions and recommedations as it may wish to make;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to provide the neccessary staff and facilities to assist the Visiting Mission in the performance of its functions.

2/ At its ... meeting, on ..., the Council decided that the nominations to be submitted would automatically be approved when received.

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Administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution contained in document T/L.1279

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 65 of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council

1. In accordance with paragraphs 1, 2 and 6 of the draft resolution contained in document T/L.1279, the Trusteeship Council would:

(a) Decide to dispatch a visiting mission to Palau, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, in March 1992 for approximately two weeks to observe current conditions in the Territory;

(b) Further decide that the composition of the Mission, including two representatives of countries of the region, should be determined through further consultations;

(c) Request the Secretary-General to provide the necessary staff and facilities to assist the Visiting Mission in the performance of its functions.

2. It is assumed that the Mission would be composed of six representatives and would be serviced by four staff members. On that basis, the total estimated requirements of the Mission would amount to $92,100, broken down as follows:

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Travel of representatives	54 100
Travel of staff	29 500
Mission operating expenses	8 500
Total	92 100

3. The programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 will include a provision of $111,600 for the activities of the Trusteeship Council. Should the Council decide to dispatch a visiting mission to Palau in 1992, its cost could therefore be met from within available resources.